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Attorney Docket No. C0240.MSI

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Title Temperature Control System and Method for Heating and Maintaining Medical Items at
Desired Temperatures

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 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
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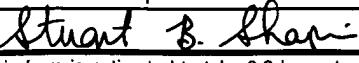
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